

*In Loving  
Memory  
of*



*Mother Minnie Lee Screen*

*Sunrise*

September 17, 1913

*Sunset*

December 18, 2014

*Service*

Tuesday, December 23, 2014 - 11:00 a.m.

**Calvary Gospel Church**

17 Lyons Avenue • Newark, New Jersey

Dr. Steven Davis, Officiating

## Obituary

**Minnie Lee Screen** was born on September 17, 1913 in Tifton, Georgia to the late Arthur and Semmie Davis. She was the second of eight children born to their union. Minnie moved to Newark, NJ in 1916 with her parents, older brother and younger sister when she was only three years old.

**Minnie** was educated in the Newark Public Schools. In 1930, she married Earl A. Screen and relocated to New York City with her husband. To their union six children, Lucretia, Earl Jr., Henry, Samuel, Herbert and Frederick, were born. Minnie was preceded in death by her husband and five of their six children. Frederick, her only surviving child, along with his wife, Rhoda, became Minnie's primary caregiver until her sudden death on December 18, 2014.

**Minnie**, at an early age, began her spiritual sojourn at the Children's Temple on Oliver Street in the Ironbound Section of Newark where her family had settled. It was there, at the Temple, that Minnie accepted Christ in her life. While living in New York, Minnie commuted to Newark on Sundays to attend Primitive Baptist Church with her mother. She joined Primitive Baptist Church and became a lifelong member, serving as Mother of the Church in later years as well as the Church Treasurer.

**Minnie** joined the workforce in Newark as a young teenager, working to help her father support the large family. After entering into marriage and becoming a mother, she became a homemaker to her husband and their six children, working on and off as a domestic worker. In her later years, Minnie returned to school in Brooklyn and studied to become a nurse. At the age of sixty-four, Minnie became a licensed nurse.

**Minnie's** family was always very special to her. Fond memories of the good times and good food that she provided, hosting Christmas dinner at her home for the entire family for over sixty years, will remain with her family. At the time of her death Minnie was busy planning what to serve for Christmas dinner the next week, a family tradition she took very seriously. Minnie also enjoyed traveling, and she did not mind going alone when no one was available to accompany her. She traveled to Europe, Africa, Israel, Brazil, the Caribbean, the US Virgin Islands and throughout the United States when she had the opportunity.

**Mother Minnie Lee Screen** leaves to cherish her memory: one son, Frederick; a sister, Lula Echols; her daughters-in-law, Rhoda, Mary, Willa and Betty; her son-in-law, Nathaniel Sr.; her grandchildren, Denise, Nathaniel Jr., Jeffrey, Cheryl, Annette, Kadeidre, Makeba, Kyle, Sebastian, Sam, Frederick, Idris, Yusuf, Crystal, David, Earl III, Dwayne, Henry Jr., Sheldon, Shanna, Denise, Lynette and Stephen; thirty great grandchildren, eighteen great-great grandchildren, and one great-great-great grandchild; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends, including her church family.

# Order of Service

Invocation

Scripture Readings

Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Hymn

Acknowledgements

Obituary

Remarks.....(2 Minutes Please)

Selection.....Gloria Carter

Eulogy.....Dr. Steven Davis

Benediction

Recessional

## Interment

Rose Hill Cemetery

Linden, New Jersey

Following the services friends are invited  
to join the family for the Repast at:  
**Society Hill Clubhouse**  
**1 Cornerstone Lane**  
**Newark, NJ**  
**(GPS Address: 79 Cornerstone Lane)**

# *She Is Gone*

*You can shed tears that she is gone  
Or you can smile because she has lived. You can  
close your eyes and pray that she will come back or  
you can open your eyes and see all that she has left.  
Your heart can be empty because you cannot see her  
or you can be full of the love that you shared. You  
can turn your back on tomorrow and live yesterday  
or you can be happy for tomorrow because of  
yesterday. You can remember her and only that she  
is gone or you can cherish her memory and let it  
live on. You can cry and close your mind, be empty  
and turn your back or you can do what she would  
want; smile, open your eyes, love and go on.*

## *Acknowledgements*

*The Family of **Mother Minnie Lee Screen** with deepest gratitude, acknowledge all of the cards, prayers, calls and many acts of kindness extended to them during this time of bereavement. May God continue to bless you.*

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